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Idaho Fruit Production Down from Last Year

Idaho's apple production totaled 80.0 million pounds, a 10 million pound decrease from last year. Peach production totaled 8,000 tons, down 1,000 tons from 2004. Prune and plum production in 2005 was 2,000 tons, a 2,000 ton decrease from last year. Sweet cherry production was 1,700 tons, down 1,400 tons from 2004.

Nationally, apple production totaled 9.9 billion pounds, a decrease of 6 percent from 2004. Utilized production, at 9.8 billion pounds, is down 6 percent from last year. Peach production totaled 1.2 million tons, down 10 percent from 2004. Utilized peach production, at 1.1 million tons, is down 7 percent from last year. Sweet cherry production decreased 11 percent from a year ago to 251,200 tons. Utilized sweet cherry production is down 14 percent from a year ago to 243,910 tons. Prune and plum production totaled 8,700 tons, down 65 percent from 2004. Utilized production totaled 8,700 tons, down 54 percent from last year.

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